High Intensity Polarized Electron Source R&D



Cathode preparation Tree





First e-beam from 2 gun

cathodes July, 2014

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Talk Outline

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- Gatling Gun Concept and System Layouts, Photos
- Performance Parameters
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- Proposed 2016 -2017 R&D program schedule
- Multiple Individual gun alternatives to the Gatling Gun
- Summary and Acknowledgments

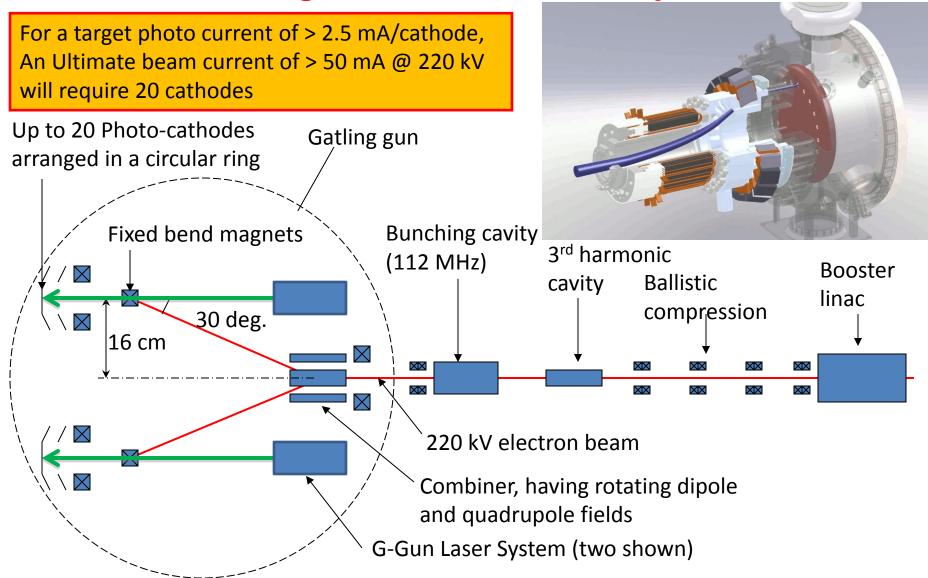
Motivation

- The "Gatling Gun" approach use beams from multiple cathodes funneled together in a single device to increase the (current * lifetime) product of the source.
- The goal of the Gatling Gun R&D project is to demonstrate the linearity of a gun system where cathode lifetime is not significantly degraded by the number of cathodes.
- For this R&D program we will use bulk cathodes to specifically:
 - Measure current and lifetime achieved with up to two or more cathodes.
 - No Cathode should degrade the performance of it's neighboring cathodes and thus validate increasing the current*lifetime product of the Gatling gun multi cathode system.
 - Rigorously study operating scenarios and their affect on gun performance.
 - Characterize and validate performance of the R&D Gun system components so that a final set of vetted parameters can by subscribed to a production gun system for e-RHIC
 - Combining beams from multiple individual Guns will also be studied as an alternative to the Gatling Gun

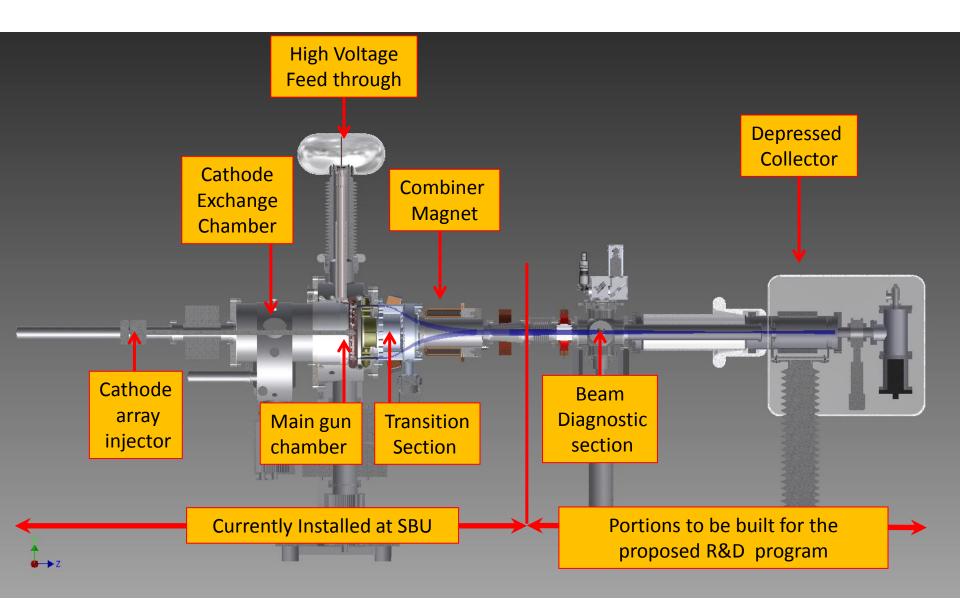
Developments affecting Gatling Gun R&D

- The Gatling Gun was identified as a important e-RHIC R&D item.
- The Gatling Gun was integrated into the e-RHIC R&D program (as discussed in I. Ben-Zvi) To address and ultimately retire technical and cost risk to the e-RHIC source.
- A R&D program was developed and a detailed recourse loaded schedule was developed and reviewed.
- The Gatling principle will first be demonstrated using bulk GaAs cathodes and super lattice polarized cathode beam to be developed in collaboration with Jlab and MIT.
- A high average current polarized beam, of 4mA was reached by the Jlab. But about 2.5mA is more realistic for individual guns.
- The e-RHIC source developed will include the Gatling Gun along with individual polarized Guns combined to produce a high brightness polarized beam.

"Gatling Gun" for an e-RHIC injector



Layout of R&D Gatling Gun System at SBU



R&D Goals

Demonstrate a polarized electron source that meets e-RHIC requirements:

High average current: Up to 50mA; High Bunch charge: 5.3nC; with Long lifetime

Target photo current of > 2.5 mA/cathode = cathode Life of 800C

Demonstrate Gatling Gun principle in the R&D gun at SBU and demonstrate the combining of beams from multiple single cathode polarized e-guns.

Demonstrate operational cathode life times:

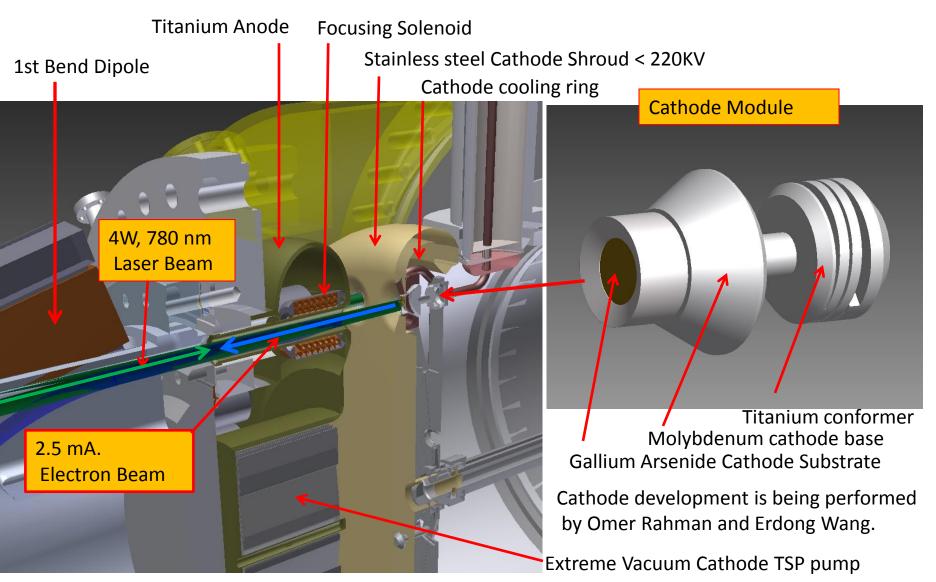
- Max. Average current :50mA Charge lifetime: 15,300C/20 = 765C/cathode
- For cathode exchange with min lifetime of 85 hours for 50mA operation
- Min. Average current :10mA with min. Charge lifetime: 3060C/20 = 153C/cathode will provide over one week of continuous e-beam between cathodes exchanges.

R&D Program Deliverables

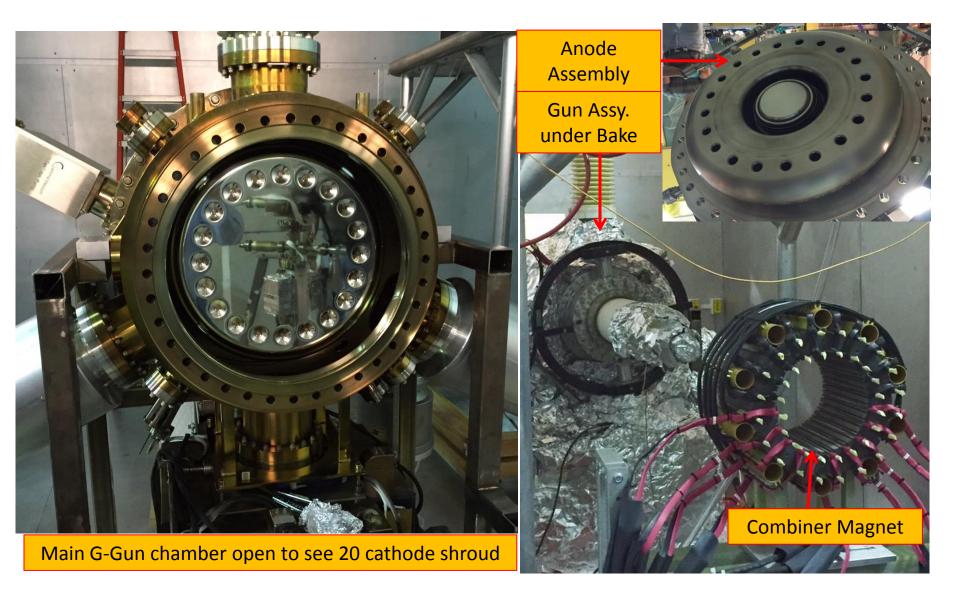
Should adequate R&D resources be provided the following shall be demonstrated.

- Linearity of cathode lifetime with respect to the number of cathodes.
- Upgraded of Cathode preparation system for up to 4 cathode capability.
- Gatling Gun e-beam currents in the milliamp. range.
- · Combining of polarized e-beams from two or more individual Guns is feasible.

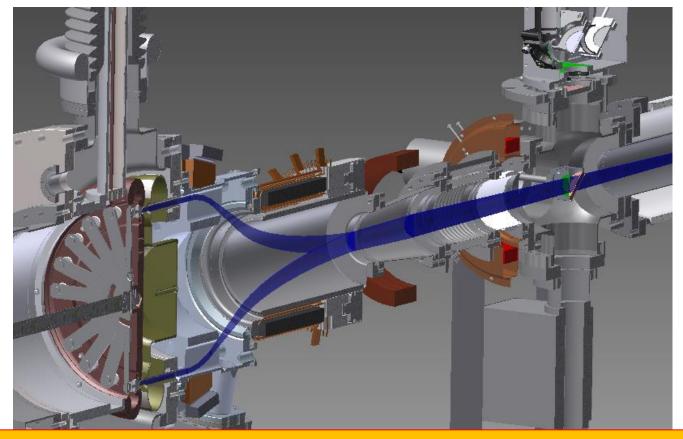
Section view of Cathode, Anode Gun system



Views of Gatling Gun System Components at SBU



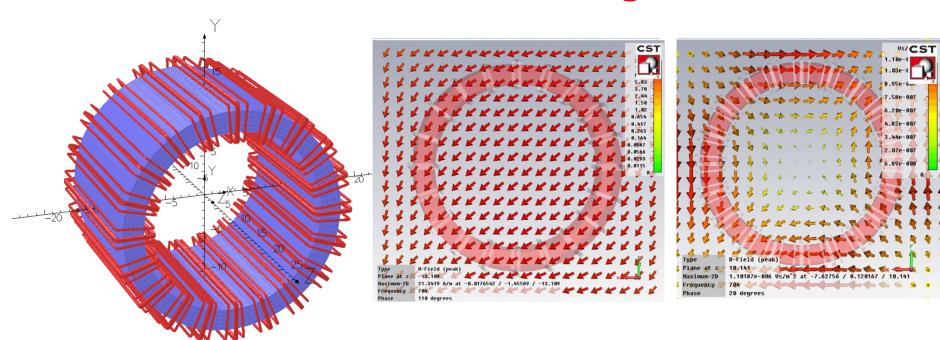
Two Beam Combiner operation and diagnostics



Section view shows e-beam paths through combiner into the diagnostic cross

Erdong Wang performed Accelerator physics analysis. Bob Lambiase performed Electrical Engineering of High Voltage and Combiner power supply systems and E-beam diagnostics will be provided be David Gassner and the Instrumentation Group.

Beam Combiner Magnet

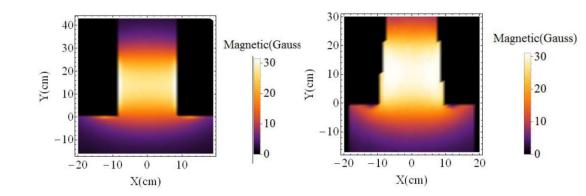


- •Bending the beam by dipole
- Equalize the focusing by quadrupole
- •Parameters:

 $I(t)=I_{od}*cos(\omega t+\phi)$ where $I_{od}=70.7A$ $I(t)=I_{oq}*cos2(\omega t+\phi)$ where $I_{oq}=1.54A$ B(0,0,0)=25.04G

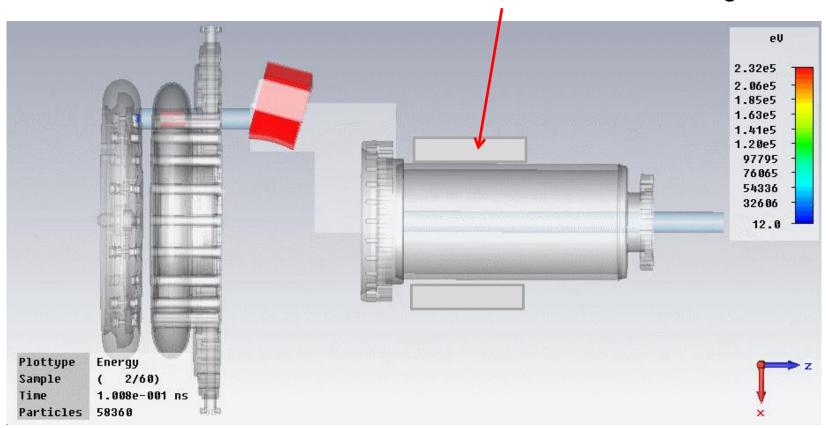
Freq=470kHz

Bending angle=29 degrees



Particle Beam Tracking

Beam Combiner Magnet



Model Developed by Erdong Wang

R&D Performance Parameters

- Current per cathode > 2.5 m Amps.
- Bunch length 3.5 ns
- Charge per bunch 5.3 nC
- Gun chamber vacuum < 10⁻¹¹ Torr range
- Cathode voltage > -120 kV
- R&D gun systems performance will be fully studied and characterized to validate the detailed design parameters for an e-RHIC production gun

Summary of Past Progress of Gatling Gun R&D

- Cathode preparation using bulk GaAs having good quantum efficiency (QE) in the cathode tree at BNL and during industrial testing.
- Ability to transfer Cathodes into the Gun with minor effects to quantum efficiency.
- Vacuum system has reached < 10⁻¹¹ Torr.
- E-beams (micro amp level) from 2 cathodes have been demonstrated.
- Combiner magnet operation demonstrated funneling two e-beams onto a common axis into a Faraday cup.
- Measured radiation levels compare favorably with models.
- After Industrial testing completed, Gun system disassembled and shipped to SBU.

Progress of Gatling Gun R&D during FY15

- Over the past year the Gatling Gun System has been transferred from industry and established at SBU:
 - SBU Laboratory space cleared and prepared for Gun Lab.
 - Improvements made to HV and vacuum systems components
 - High voltage enclosure erected.
 - New power and safety systems added to Lab Space.
 - Gatling Gun and Tree systems Reassembled.
 - Reestablish combiner and laser performance
 - High voltage conditioning studies started,
 - Bulk cathode preparation tree demonstrated at SBU and improvements to it's system implemented, additional testing underway.

Near Term Milestones

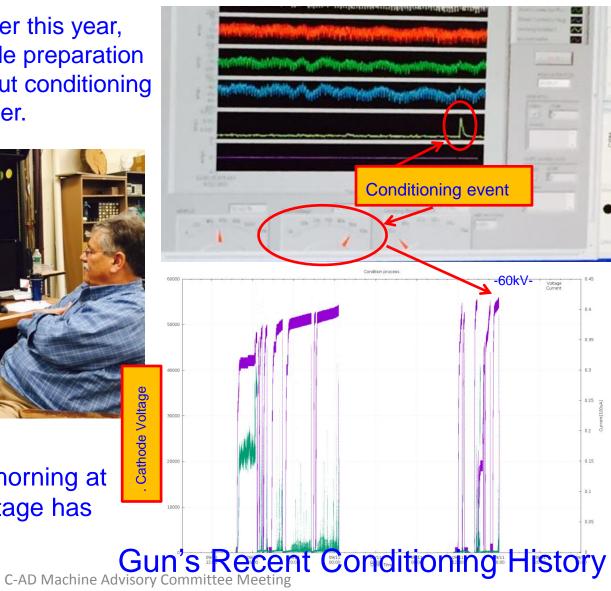
- Milestone #1: 8/15- Reestablish Gatling Gun system performance since Industrial testing last year at SBU. Gatling Gun vessel Vacuum level 10⁻¹¹ Torr, Conditioning voltage > 60 kV
- Milestone #2: 9/15-Demonstrate cathode production with QE > 5% in cathode preparation system at SBU.
- Milestone #3: 10/15-Demonstrate electron beams from GaAs bulk cathodes with beam currents <100 micro Amps.
- Milestone #4: 12/15-Demonstrate BNL super-lattice cathode in preparation system, quantum efficiency of 0.1%.
- Milestone #5: 12/15- Program Review Gatling Gun Advisory Committee

Gun Conditioning Underway

After initial conditioning earlier this year, Improvements to the Cathode preparation tree took priority in August but conditioning started up again in September.



Photo taken one early morning at SBU where Gatling Gun voltage has reached 55.4 kV.



September 2015

Cathode

Major Project Milestones FY16-18

Milestone#6: 2/16: e-beam currents from two cathodes up to 100 micro Amps.

Milestone#7: 8/16: e-beam from one or more cathodes of up to 1m Amp. range

Milestone#8: 12/16: e-beam currents by more than one cathode of up to 2.5 m Amps.

Milestone#9: 3/17: Demonstrate e-beam currents for at least two cathodes with

beam currents of up to 2.5 m Amps. per cathode and achieve

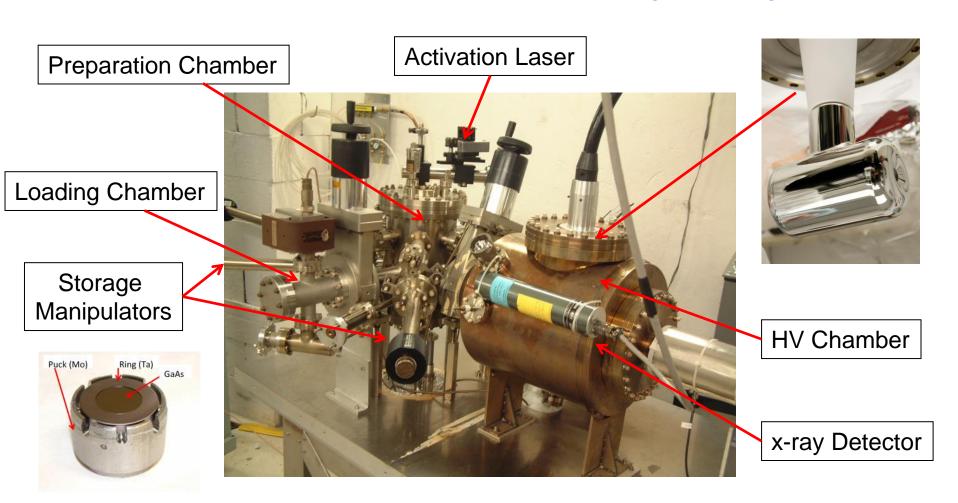
bunch parameters of 5.3 nC per bunch and bunch length of 3.5 ns

Milestone#10: 6/17: R&D Gun studies completed, by fully validating the design.

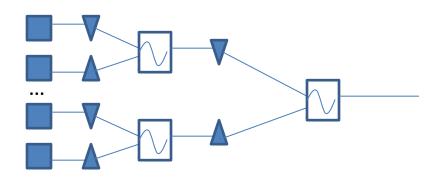
Milestone# 11: 9/17: Production Gun Preliminary Design Review

Individual Guns Alternative to the Gatling Gun

- e-guns using Super lattice Cathodes have been developed at Jefferson Lab.
- Collaboration with Jefferson Lab shall transfer Super lattice preparation and use methods to BNL can be used in the following combining concept.

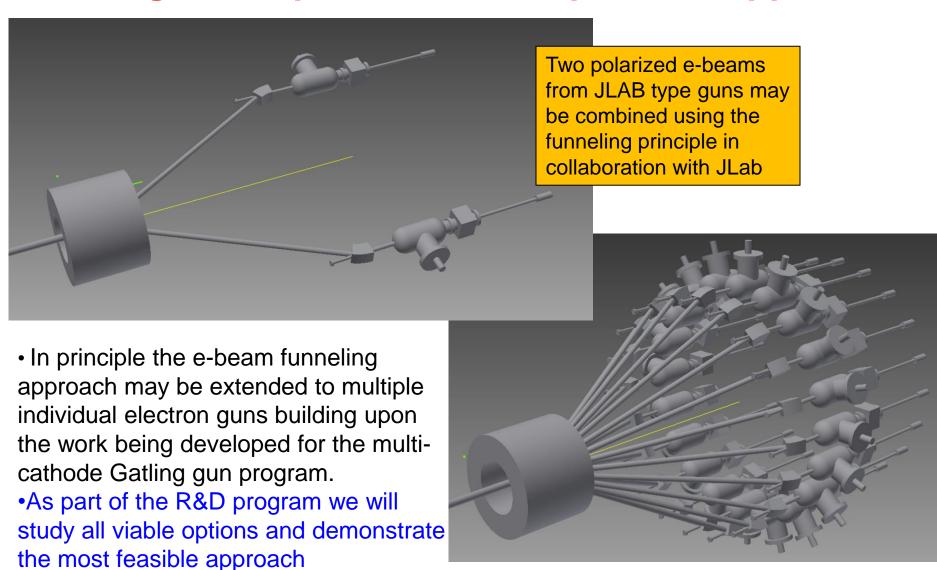


Multi-Polarized Gun Combination Concepts



- Current polarized gun technology will still require multiple guns to meet e-RHIC requirement. A variety of concepts shall be considered to combine multiple e-guns.
- •Collaboration to determine feasibility of combining Jlab type polarized e-guns and detailed studies will be performed:
- Identical energy beams and the use of RF to kick beam pairs onto a common axis.
- . Magnetic steering of different energy beams onto a common axis and then use RF to compensate individual bunch energy.
- Apply the Gatling gun principles to multi-single cathode gun configuration.

Gatling Concept and the Multiple-Gun Approach



Summary

- Presented is an introduction of the Gatling Gun Development Program.
- The R&D goals and performance parameters have been presented.
- Schedule milestones and a summary of deliverables defining the program was presented.
- Adequate resources will be essential to demonstrate and chacterize the R&D Gatling gun and combined gun systems.
- The results of this R&D shall be used in the detailed design and construction of a low risk high intensity polarized electron source for e-RHIC.

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